GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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LIFTING OF BAN ON EXPORT OF ONION
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to lift ban on the export of onions;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the move is based on the record production of onions in Maharashtra and other States?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a) (b) & (c) : There is no ban on the export of onions. Export of onion of all varieties, except Bangalore Rose and Krishnapuram onions, is canalised and allowed within an annual quantitative ceiling determined after taking into account the production, stocks available, crop situation, domestic requirement, etc. Bangalore Rose and Krishnapuram onions are allowed for exportwithout any quantitative ceiling. In 2000-2001 a quantity of 3.5 lakh M.T. has been released for exports.